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Treasurer, in account with the town of Belmont, Dr.

To amount received of the town, March 1, 1876,		$2,970 64
Received of C. B. Gile, collector for	1871,	21 94
" " "	1873,	195 06
" J. S. Weymouth,	1874,	231 89
" " "	1875,	1,258 59
" C. E. Clough. "	1876,	5,309 60
Hired of B. S. Russell.		331 47
" J. S. Towle,		193 16
" H. Wadleigh.		141 05
" J. Pulsifer,		456 35
" H. Wadleigh.		89 85
" L. Sanborn,		300 00
" H. F. Tucker,		105 33
" "		268 29
" A. L. Folsom,		411 38
" "		184 36
" N. F. Foster,		421 03
" G. D. Chamberlin,		297 97
" T. Clark,		84 96
" L. Sanborn,		400 00
" H. F. Tucker,		179 63
" L. Sanborn,		29 54
" N. F. Foster,		277 53
" John Tucker,		72 95
" Joseph Plumer,		441 46
" John Tucker,		150 20
" L. A. Folsom,		177 85
" Samuel Clark,		521 27
" N. F. Foster,		151 48
" Joseph Plumer,		117 96
" L. Plumer,		248 63
" N. S. Plumer.		46 41

Hired of	D. Durrell,	492 28
"	L. A. Sanborn,	171 30
"	W. A. Bucklin,	123 85
"	"	526 56
"	"	278 45
"	"	146 71
"	"	87 46
"	"	126 48
"	"	123 77
"	"	112 20
"	O S. Sanborn,	213 05
"	M. A. Lakeman,	208 75
"	P. Page,	35 00
"	M. A. Lakeman,	16 81
"	J. Laine,	574 21
"	J. F. Lamprey,	55 40
"	G. C. Durrell,	188 21
"	Sally Page.	235 82
"	J. F. Lamprey,	72 77
"	Thomas Clark,	266 44
"	A. W. Brown,	655 08
"	S. W. Knowles,	60 00
"	Benj. Fifield,	80 00
"	M. Kimball,	50 00
"	B. B. Philbrook,	150 00
"	F. M. Heath,	315 00
"	H. B. Heath,	185 00
"	B. B. Philbrook,	200 00
"	C. Shepard,	955 39
"	N. D. Garmon,	100 00
"	L. A. Folsom,	200 00
"	F. S. Fifield,	140 35
"	"	53 87
"	L. J. Dearborn,	378 98
Received of	Savings Bank tax,	1,404 62
"	Railroad tax,	63 33
"	Literary money,	91 80

Received of County for support of Walter Tatro,		$104 00
" "	Oliver Farrar,	18 21
" C. H Rowe for old bridge plank,		18 62
" Sally Page,		20 00
" Peggy Page,		12 70
		25,400 30

PAID NOTES AND OUTSTANDING BILLS.

Thomas Clark,	$ 30 00
L. A. Folsom,	177 85
J. Tucker,	150 20
N. F. Foster,	277 56
"	151 48
H. F. Tucker,	179 62
J. Tucker,	72 95
J. F. Lamprey,	72 77
John Pulsifer,	234 88
"	221 47
I. S. Thompson,	54 85
B. Fifield,	30 00
"	70 00
Thomas Clark,	113 00
"	84 96
"	266 44
M. G. Glidden,	30 05
J. Lane,	574 21
Gorham Swain,	248 00
E. A. Hall,	120 02
L. Sanborn,	325 27
"	404 27
L. Plumer,	248 63
L. A. Sanborn,	171 30
M. A. Lougee,	36 00
H. F. Tucker,	105 33
S. W. Knowles,	62 71
M. A. Lakeman,	208 75

G. D. Chamberlin,	$ 297 97
Sally Page,	255 85
J. Plumer,	117 96
H. Wadleigh,	89 85
M. A. Lougee,	324 46
S. W. Knowles,	124 56
L. A. Folsom,	184 36
M. A. Lakeman,	16 81
L. A. Folsom,	411 38
M. A. Lakeman,	100 00
L. P. Wiggin,	201 88
M. Kimball,	25 00
J. Matthews,	15 00
J. F. Heath,	135 00
G. C. Durrell,	20 00
C. Shepard,	955 39
F. S. Fifield,	140 35
"	53 87
L. J. Dearborn,	35 55
"	107 24
"	102 78
"	51 70
"	31 71
Lowell Sanborn,	20 00
John Kimball,	50 00
J. F. Lamprey,	55 40
J. S. Towle,	193 16
D. Durrell,	492 28
G. W. Norris,	8 37
G. C. Durrell,	188 21
J. S. Towle,	54 45
F. H. C. Evans,	135 00
W. A. Bucklin,	526 56
"	146 71
"	123 77
"	278 45
"	87 46

W. A. Bucklin.	$126 48
"	123 85
"	112 20
N. S. Plumer.	46 41
A. W. Brown,	550 08
B. S. Russell,	331 47
H. F. Tucker,	268 39
S. Clark,	521 27
D. Glidden,	288 17
N F. Foster,	421 03
P. Page,	47 70
J. Plumer,	441 46
H. Wadleigh,	141 05
"	50 00
O. S. Sanborn,	213 05
	$14,563 64

PAID FOR LABOR AND MATERIAL FOR BRIDGES.

H. C. Currier,	$ 9 50	J. J. Ladd.	33 75
G. E. Blaisdell,	10 25	C. H. Rowe,	90 00
A. J. Young,	15 50	"	29 75
B. W. Brown,	305 34	J. L. Keasor,	66 00
H. C. Currier,	38 50	J. L. Meserve,	4 76
W. M. Sidney,	9 50	J. H. Tilton & Co.,	9 65
D. A. Corlis,	15 00	C. H. Rowe,	4 23
C. H. Rowe,	14 69	Ranlet, Moulton & Co.,	12 50
D. A. Corlis,	6 00	E. Tuttle,	1 50
F. A. Stevens,	7 50	John Tucker,	24 50
C. H. Rowe,	35 50	"	9 50
D. A. Corlis,	19 38	G. E. Blaisdell,	7 50
D. W. Richardson,	22 50	J. E. Maxfield,	20 00
J. C. Burleigh,	36 00	C. W. Farrar,	12 50
D. A. Corlis,	34 62	H. Q. Dalton,	2 50
J. Edwards,	9 00	B. W. Brown,	17 13
Pike Davis,	6 00		

G. E. Blaisdell,	$11 00	B. W. Brown,	$ 6 20
"	1 50	B. Fifield,	4 05
N. D. Garmon,	22 37	J. B. Dearborn,	4 05
"	18 97	R. G. Hoyt,	6 90
D. Glidden,	4 50	J. E. Maxfield,	1 00
G. Cook & Co.,	19 76	J. H. Fifield,	4 05
B. W. Brown,	40 82	A. W. Brown,	105 00
R. S. Smith,	2 70		
J. E. Maxfield,	35 00		$1,247 82
"	20 00		

PAID FOR HIGHWAYS.

Labor on highways in Summer and Winter of 1874 and 1875,	$508 96
Breaking roads in 1875 & 6,	405 90
Labor on highways in 1876,	1,308 10
Breaking roads in 1876 & 7,	817 03
	$3,039 99

PAID CURRENT EXPENSES.

L. Ladd, school house tax in District No. 1,	$50 00
J. W. Wells, taking affidavitts,	1 50
R. R. Smith, for watering tub,	1 75
G. W. Riley, use of Hall,	25 00
C. A. Hackett, damage to plow,	5 50
J. Plumer, for watering tub,	3 00
J. O. Stevens, "	3 00
E. Tuttle, "	3 00
G. W. Plumer, for guide post,	50
E. M. Willard, for guide board,	75
A. J. Hackett, services as Justice of the Peace,	1 50
C. E. Clough, books and stationery,	12 25
T. E. Clough, services as Treasurer,	45 00
J. E. Maxfield, services as Selectman,	57 50

E. A. Hibbard, professional services,	$ 14 00
C. A. Hackett, services as Justice of the Peace,	75
C. H. Rowe, recording invoice,	7 00
J. C. Pearsons, services as Moderator,	4 00
B. W. Sanborn, books and stationery,	11 71
O. A. J. Vaughan, printing town reports,	40 00
C. E. Moody, services as Selectman,	12 00
I. Bennett, services as Auditor,	6 00
J. Blaisdell, Insuring school house, District No. 2,	15 00
M. Sargent, Jr., Insuring school house, " 5,	17 85
I. Piper, repairs on " 5,	200 00
W. A. Bucklin, damage to sleigh,	5 00
N. D. Garmon, expenses in and out of town,	6 36
" services as Selectman, cash paid out,	17 00
" " "	78 00
C. H. Rowe, services as Selectman,	86 25
" expenses in and out of town,	5 96
State tax,	1,008 00
County tax,	1,453 72
D. W. Judkins, affidavit in Cate suit,	1 50
Several School Districts,	1,002 95
Ira Mooney, office rent,	15 00
C. E. Clough, services as town clerk,	45 00
" distributing constitutions,	5 00
Matthias Kimball, watering tub,	3 00
C. E. Clough, services as collector in part in 1876,	52 40
	$4,323 72

PAID FOR DAMAGE DONE SHEEP BY DOGS.

C. J. Sanborn,	$ 6 00
David Durrell,	4 00
N. F. Foster,	6 25
O. S. Marsh,	10 00
C. A. Hackett,	75 00
"	35 00

O L. Sanborn,	$ 2 00
David Sawyer,	25 00
D. Durrell,	4 00
	$167 25

PAID FOR PAUPERS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Reform School for support of Walter Tatro,	$104 00
W. A. Bucklin, aid for Oliver Farrar,	3 51
B. B. Philbrook, " "	18 21
J. Laine, aid for Mrs. C. Randlett,	6 00
" "	6 00
" "	12 00
	$149 72

PAID ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

A. F. Johnson,	$ 1 58
M. Kimball,	74
S. J. Cotton,	6 41
W. L, Melcher,	1 10
J. H. Price, in 1875,	3 85
E. M. Willard,	1 16
N. S. Hunt, in 1875,	2 06
Lake Company,	41 08
R. Brown,	1 26
Widow S. Gale,	1 58
T. E. Ladd,	12 67
B. A. Johnson,	5 00
R. G. Hoyt,	4 11
J. B. Marden,	4 34
J. S. Weymouth, error in tax in 1874,	8 23
J. S. Weymouth, collector in 1874,	28 42
" " 1875,	28 51
C. B. Gile, " 1871,	21 94
" " 1873,	68 05

C. C. Clough, collector in 1876,	$ 14 36
	$256 41

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Notes and outstanding bills,	$14,563 64
For labor and material for bridges,	1,247 82
For highways,	3,039 99
Current Expenses,	4,323 72
Damage to sheep by dogs,	167 25
For paupers,	149 72
Abatement of taxes,	256 41
Cash on hand March 1, 1877,	1,651 75
	$25,400 30

T. E. CLOUGH, TREASURER.

CHARLES H. ROWE,
JEWETT E. MAXFIELD,
NICHOLAS D. GARMON,
} Selectmen of BELMONT.

March 1, 1877. The undersigned have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and a balance due the town of one thousand six hundred and fifty one dollars and seventy-five cents.

JOSEPH BADGER.
ISAAC BENNETT,
JOSEPH M. KNOWLES,
} Auditors.

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

We find the town indebted for outstanding orders as follows, including principal and interest:

George F. Cate,	$176 50	T. Clark,	$ 48 09
C. J. Gross,	87 25	S. H. Sargent,	124 93
E. O. Bean,	200 14	F. H. C. Evans,	121 02
D. H. Maxfield,	435 35	Benj. Fifield,	1,640 17
Louisa Sanborn,	79 31	M. Sanborn,	233 41
S. C. Hill,	480 86	Sarah Piper,	150 55
C. J. Gross,	152 05	Parsonage Fund,	224 97
John Cate,	72 17	School Dis. No. 11,	16 07
A. A. Sargent,	436 22	M. J. Pierce,	328 83
J. C. Cilley,	269 85	J. Pierce,	165 03
M. J. Fifield,	122 18	W. C. Wells,	88 32
C. J. Gross,	142 49	E. Dow,	86 03
S. H. Sargent,	141 15	L. A. Willard,	348 28
S. B. Whicher,	84 31	J. F. Heath,	299 43
E. E. Evans,	141 15	E. G. Heath,	12 96
S. H. Sargent,	124 93	John Mathews,	248 69
E. F. Judkins,	47 25	S. S. Fifield,	351 97
C. J. Gross,	140 47	S. W. Knowles,	128 04
A. M. Fifield,	35 04	John Tucker,	157 72
J. C. Cilley,	266 58	T. E. Clough,	439 87
T. Clark,	184 15	John Tucker,	76 60
E. F. Judkins,	40 93	John Kimball,	110 91
L. M. Sweatt,	132 79	"	116 44
F. H. Evans,	661 86	G. D. Chamberlin,	312 86
"	700 27	H. J. Clough,	76 42
M. H. Sweatt,	301 66	F. H. C. Evans,	115 46
V. J. Fifield,	131 28	D. H. Maxfield,	94 44
M. S. Dudley,	26 32	N. Ellsworth,	95 37
D. H. Maxfield,	638 46	A. Dicy,	215 35
L. M. Sweatt,	125 65	W. A. Bucklin,	500 00
E. E. Evans,	249 28	" "	500 00
S. Maxfield,	280 02	" "	500 00

E. G. Folsom,	$1,830 61	F. M. Heath,	$324 19
M. A. Lakeman,	132 87	H. B. Heath,	190 39
O. S. Sanborn,	223 70	M. Kimball,	26 40
J. Plumer,	587 39	J. S. Towle,	202 81
N. S. Plumer,	48 73	J. Pulsifer,	420 00
L. Plumer,	261 06	J. F. Lamprey,	134 20
S. Clark,	547 33	H. Wadleigh,	186 45
G. C. Durrell,	176 75	D. H. Maxfield,	76 25
N. F. Foster,	367 54	B. B. Philbrook,	203 34
"	525 00	A. W. Brown,	657 73
John Tucker,	233 30	L. A. Folsom,	200 17
H. F. Tucker,	580 90	Thomas Clark,	279 76
L. A. Folsom,	811 96	Calvin Shepard,	955 39
B. S. Russell,	315 00	Lowell Sanborn,	400 00
Thomas Clark,	59 05	N. D. Garmon,	100 20
Sally Page,	247 61	L. A. Sanborn,	157 50
P. Page,	36 75	F. S. Fifield,	194 22
Joshua Laine,	602 92	Lowell Sanborn,	315 00
B. Fifield,	82 67	L. J. Dearborn,	378 98
L. J. Dearborn,	51 77		
B. B. Philbrook,	154 38	Total.	$28,316 47

CLAIMS DUE THE TOWN.

Cash in hands of Treasurer.		$1,651 75
Due on J. Y. Weymouth's note,		106 00
Due on L. B. Fellows' note,		24 24
C. H. Rowe, collector for 1872,		8 64
C. B. Gile, "	1871 & 3,	154 94
J. S. Weymouth, "	1874 & 5,	604 89
C. E. Clough. "	1876,	3,348 94
J. M. Bean, for old plank,		7 50
United States Bounties,		2,295 00
		$8,201 90

Indebtedness of the town over means, $20,114 57

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ISAAC BENNETT,
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} Auditors.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Fellow Citizens, in obedience to the requirements of law and the observance of previous customs, I beg leave to submit the following report of the standing and condition of the various schools of your town, together with some ideas that have occured to me while in the discharge of my official duties. It gives me great pleasure to state that so good progress has been made and that the general average standing of the various schools is so high. Every school during the year may be called successful, some perhaps more so than others from various attendant circumstances. Experience in common school teaching has convinced me of its fourfold nature ; that like a complicated machine, no one part alone and independent of the others can work the result which might reasonably be expected from all the parts working in harmony and to a definite end. Parents, Prudential Committees, Teachers and Scholars, have each a part to perform and the neglect of one cannot be made up by any or all of the others. The first duty devolves upon the parent to learn the child the lesson of obedience, to teach their children respect for parental authority, to inculcate in them due reverence for the authority of the teacher, to impress upon them the positive advantages of education, by precept and example to show them the advantage, the imperative neccessity of mental improvement.

The parents duty does not end with furnishing schools and school-houses, but in the higher duty of the parent and teacher combined. They should visit their schools more and thereby show to both scholars and teacher their sympathy, cordial co-operation and best wishes for their success. Having the interest at stake that you do you should not as is so often the case absent yourself from the school-room for years together. The greatest discretion should be exercised in the selection of Prudential Committees. Select such men only as have a proper estimate of the advantages of education ; such only as have honesty enough to serve the district rather than personal ends ; who understands in some degree the wants to be met in the selection of a teacher for his particular district ; who will sustain and encourage the teacher in all proper means, in every effort for the benefit of the school. They should engage no teacher simply because they can be hired *cheap*, remembering that *a cheap article is dear at any price*.

With regard to what constitutes a good teacher and the essential qualities of successful teaching, I have not the time and I fear not the ability to accurately describe. Abler pens than mine have been called into requisition, abler minds than mine have been engaged in solving the problem, and yet it remains unanswered. Perhaps I may say as briefly as possible that the teachers should first of all fully understand what they attempt to teach, that they study to adopt their instruction to the mind of the pupil who is to recieve it. They should enter upon teaching as their profession and not as a convenience for the time being. They should study the science of teaching, the best methods of imparting instruction, together with the most improved methods of government. They should realize that the future man and woman is for the time committed to their charge ; and upon their effort depends in the greatest degree the standard of intelligence and morality of the community. To them it is given to train

the minds and develop the faculties that are to rule the nation, which under the blessing of God is to rule the world. They should seek to find in it something higher than mere employment or a stepping stone to some higher usefulness, which is fancied to lie beyond. To the scholars whom I have met in the various schools of the town, perhaps a few words to you may not be inappropriate at this time: Do you fully realize the advantages which our common school system confers upon you? Do you fully realize the influence which education is to exert upon your character, your social standing and influence in after life? Are you exerting yourselves to the utmost to make a proper use of the means within your reach? Have you during the year that has passed made all the advancement that was desirable or even possible? Answer these questions each for yourselves and enter upon your next term with a determination to exceed in diligence and consequent improvement any preceding term. Submitting these few suggestions for the consideration of parents and pupils I report the several districts in their order.

District No. 1.—Arthur S. Ladd, Prudential Committee. Summer term of ten weeks and Winter term of thirteen weeks were taught by Miss Carrie A. Smith. This was Miss Smith's first attempt at teaching, and I am pleased to report unusually good success. She seemed to have in mind the quality rather than the quantity of her work and the closing examinations showed good progress in the various branches of study pursued.

District No. 2.—Andrew Young, Prudential Committee. Fall term of ten weeks taught by Miss Dora E. Lee. Miss Lee has taught in the schools of this town previous to this term, and brought to her aid in this school her former experience. This is one of the best schools in town standing No. 2, in point of numbers, and containing some excellent scholars. The progress during the term was alike profitable to the scholars and creditable to the teacher. A school of the energy and ability of this one

is really entitled to more than ten weeks of school in a year.

District No. 3.—Solon F. Hill, Prudential Committee. Summer term of eight weeks taught by Miss Sarah E. Maxfield. Her first attempt at teaching, but with good success nevertheless. Her method of instruction was very commendable being thorough and analytical in all the studies pursued. Miss Maxfield is very painstaking and desirous to succeed and with experience I doubt not will become a very successful teacher. Winter term of eleven weeks, Miss L. Jennie Currier teacher. Miss Currier is a teacher of acknowledged ability and large experience having taught many terms in the schools of this town. During this term she fully mantained her former reputation and the closing examination showed good advancement, especially in reading and grammer.

District No. 4. John F. Fogg, Prudential Committee. Summer term of seven weeks taught by Miss Marion E. Lyford. Miss Lyford is a good teacher and appears very devoted to her work. She is very thorough in all her school duties but seven weeks is too short a time to reasonably expect a very manifest improvement in any school. Winter term of eight weeks, Miss Isabel Seavey teacher. I considered Miss Seavey every way fitted for the position she assumed in this school and had no reason to expect otherwise than a profitable school; but I fear that there was not that harmony of action and unity of purpose, that is indispensibly necessary to secure a good school. Cordial co-operation of parents, scholars and teacher is one of the prime essentials of success.

District. No. 5.—Moses Sargent, Jr., Prudential Committee. Summer term of seven and Winter term of ten weeks taught by S. L. French. Mr. French is so well known in the town and in this particular district that saying he is a good teacher would seem like repeating "thrice told tales." Suffice it to say that he maintained his former good reputation and that his school in all points showed the fashioning hand of the master-workman.

District No. 6.—Chas. Huntoon, Prudential Commit-

tee. Summer term of eleven weeks taught by Miss Ella G. Chandler, a teacher of some experience, and her school appeared well in many things. I would recommend a closer attention to logical analysis counting it as of the utmost importance to success in teaching. Fair progress made and order well sustained. Winter term of eight weeks taught by Miss Sarah E. Maxfield. This school appeared well at the commencement and I expected a pleasant and profitable term and I doubt not that such was the case. I did not visit it at its close as the closing examination came on that terribly stormy day Dec. 9th.

District No. 7.—Isaac Bennet, Prudential Committee. Summer term of six weeks and Fall term of seven weeks, taught by Miss Mary C. Robinson, a teacher of much experience, only one in town having had more. Her method of instruction is very commendable still in this particular school I would suggest the advantage of making *haste* very *slowly*. Here are some fine little scholars in the school and with time, patience and thorough instruction will rank with the best.

District No. 8.—Monroe Philbrick, Prudential Committee. Summer term of six weeks taught by Julia V. Sanborn. This was Miss Sanborn's first attempt and I doubt not she endeavored to do her duty to the best of her ability, but she did not meet with that success that was desirable. Order somewhat deficient. I quote from the register as follows: "All seem to have absurd ideas with regard to order. Persuasive measures fail in nearly every instance. Found compulsion indispensible to secure even a moderate degree of order. Fall term of eleven weeks Walter S. Peaslee teacher. Under Mr. Peaslee's charge the school manifested great improvement in the matter of order. His vigorous discipline brought order out of the former confusion. He was prompt in the discharge of the duties of the school-room, clear and logical in his methods of instruction and I presume his school was very satisfactory, but being absent from town I did not visit it at the close.

District No. 9.—Joseph S. Leavitt, Prudential Committee. Fall term of eleven weeks taught by Miss Dora P. Young. This is one of the largest and best schools in town and I anticipated a pleasant and profitable term at the commencement but the success of the school was sadly marred by a lack of harmony between the teacher and some of the larger scholars. Let me advise that in the future you lay aside every thing calculated to disturb the peace and prosperity of your school and join hands with your teachers to regain the good name which your school has formerly enjoyed. I did not visit this school at the close as I did not receive notice. It was not the fault of the teacher however as she sent notice but I did not receive it.

District No. 10.—Rufus L. Farrar, Prudential Committee. Winter term of twelve weeks taught by Miss Lottie E. Payne, an experienced teacher and who has taught many terms in this district. In all things requisite to make a good school this was among the best in town.

District No. 11.—Nicholas D. Garmon, Prudential Committee. Summer term of six and Fall term of seven weeks taught by Miss Frances M. Heath. Miss Heath evidently belongs to the "regular army," having taught in this district seventeen terms. Having been thus honored in her own district I give her my unqualified approval.

District No. 12.—Mrs. Joseph Badger, Prudential Committee. Winter term of ten weeks taught by Mrs. Joseph Badger. The smallest school in town, only four scholars. I should think that it would trouble the teacher more to find something to do than it would to do it. So few scholars are not enough to arouse much competition in scholarship and hardly enough to keep each other company. Let us hope that what they lack in numbers they will make up in zeal. I found in the school the perfection of order and satisfactory progress in study.

Respectfully submitted,

SOLON F. HILL, School Committee.